Rootdown Wine Cellars

Amador County Trousseau St. Amant Vineyard



ABOUT THE ESTATE

- Founded in 2014 by Sonoma County native Mike Lucia, Rootdown Wine Cellars reflects his decades of experience in Northern California.
- Rootdown specializes in single-varietal, single-vineyard wines from organically farmed vineyards in Mendocino, Sonoma, and Amador Counties, producing refined expressions of varieties like Sangiovese, Pinot Noir, Riesling, Savagnin, and Trousseau.
- In 2019, Mike acquired Cole Ranch—the smallest AVA in the U.S.—shifting Rootdown's focus toward Jura-inspired varieties including Trousseau, Savagnin, Pinot Noir, and Chardonnay.
- This estate emphasizes minimal-intervention winemaking with hallmarks such as low alcohol, high acidity, native fermentations, little to no new oak, and minimal sulfur additions.
- Mike seeks to create wines that showcase earth and texture over fruit, expressing the unique terroir of each vineyard site.

APPELLATION
Amador County

SUB-REGION
Amador County

GRAPE VARIETY
100% Trousseau

FARMING
Organic

SOIL
Alluvium over granite

VINEYARDS & VITICULTURE
The 1.8 acres of organically farmed grapes that Rootdown sources in this vineyard were planted in 2004 on Honcut soil (deep, well-drained soil formed into somewhat coarsely textured alluvium from base igneous and granitic rocks) atop floodplains and moderately sloping alluvial fans.

HARVEST & VINIFICATION
Fermented in small open top oak fermenters and small stainless steel tanks. 1/3 100% de-stemmed, 1/3 100% whole cluster, 1/3 50% de-stemmed 50% whole cluster. Gentle mixing of the cap to capture more delicate aromatics and the choice of fermenting styles allow for a semi carbonic style in the finished wine. The wine is aged in neutral barrels for eight months until bottling.

ALCOHOL BY VOLUME
12.6

PACK SIZE
12x750mL